

# City of Willoughby Hills

## **ORDINANCE NO. 2016-62**

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### **AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING AND DIRECTING THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH THE HEIGHTS-HILLCREST TECHNICAL RESCUE TEAM FOR SPECIAL RESCUE SERVICES; REPEALING CONFLICTING LEGISLATION AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.**

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**WHEREAS**, The Heights-Hillcrest Technical Rescue Team (HHTRT) Agreement for Special Rescue Services is to be made by and between the City of Beachwood, the City of Cleveland Heights, the City of Euclid, the Village of Gates Mills, the City of Highland Heights, the City of Lyndhurst, Mayfield Village, the City of Mayfield Heights, the City of Pepper Pike, the City of Richmond Heights, the City of Shaker Heights, the City of South Euclid, the City of University Heights, and the City of Willoughby Hills (individually referred to as a “Municipality”, and together as the “Municipalities”); and

**WHEREAS**, each of the abovementioned Municipalities have the authority to enter into said Agreement pursuant to Article XVIII of the Ohio Constitution, and Ohio Revised Code Sections 9.60 and 715.02 which authorize municipal corporations to enter into agreements with one another for the provision of fire protection services on an emergency or regular basis; and

**WHEREAS**, the Municipalities have all previously been members of either the Heights Area Special Rescue Team (“HASRT”) or the Hillcrest Technical Rescue Team (“HTRT”) for the provision of mutual aid in the form of special rescue teams to respond to calls for special rescue services within the boundaries of the participating municipalities in HASRT or HTRT, and with communities with which said teams had reciprocal agreements; and

**WHEREAS**, the Council of the City of Willoughby Hills hereby finds and determines it to be beneficial for the Municipality to enter into the Heights-Hillcrest Technical Rescue Team Agreement in order to continue to and more efficiently organize, train and equip a technical rescue team to conduct rescue activities requiring unusual training and/or equipment, such as rope, swift water, ice, confined space, trench collapse, dive, tower, structural collapse rescues, and other board approved disciplines.

***NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WILLOUGHBY HILLS, COUNTY OF LAKE, STATE OF OHIO THAT:***

**SECTION 1.** The Mayor is hereby authorized and directed to enter into **The Heights-Hillcrest Technical Rescue Team (HHTRT) Agreement for Special Rescue Services** by and between the City of Beachwood, the City of Cleveland Heights, the City of Euclid, the Village of Gates Mills, the City of Highland Heights, the City of Lyndhurst, Mayfield Village, the City of Mayfield Heights, the City of Pepper Pike, the City of Richmond Heights, the City of Shaker Heights, the City of South Euclid, the City of University Heights, and the City of Willoughby Hills, attached hereto as the “Exhibit A”, consisting of twenty-eight (28) pages.

**SECTION 2.** In accordance with Section 4(F) of **The Heights-Hillcrest Technical Rescue Team (HHTRT) Agreement for Special Rescue Services** the City of Willoughby Hills shall pay its base fee as set forth in the Base Fee Schedule, and any additional fee established at the time of the approval of the annual budget, by January 1<sup>st</sup> of each year.

**SECTION 3.** All ordinances or parts thereof in conflict with the provisions of this Ordinance are hereby repealed as of the effective date of this Ordinance.

**SECTION 4.** The actions of this Council concerning and relating to the passage of this legislation were conducted in lawful meetings of this Council and that all deliberations of this Council and any of its committees that resulted in such formal action were in compliance with all legal requirements including Chapter 107 of the Codified Ordinances of the City of Willoughby Hills.

**SECTION 5.** This ordinance constitutes an emergency measure in that the same provides for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health, safety and welfare of the inhabitants of the City of Willoughby Hills insofar as it provides for the usual daily operation of the municipality; to wit: the Municipalities have determined to merge their teams to form the Height-Hillcrest Technical Rescue Team (“HHTRT”) in order to continue to and more efficiently organize, train and equip a technical rescue team to conduct rescue activities with said team formation to be within the next thirty (30) days; wherefore, this ordinance shall be in full force and take effect from and after its passage and approval by the Mayor.

PASSED: \_\_\_\_\_, 2016

Submitted to the Mayor for his approval  
on this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2016

ATTEST:

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Victoria Ann Savage, CMC  
Clerk of Council

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Nancy E. Fellows  
President of Council

Approved by the Mayor

\_\_\_\_\_, 2016

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Robert M. Weger  
Mayor